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Dr. Shari Bornstein Joins Lake County Tuberculosis Sanitorium Board

The Lake County Board has appointed Dr. Shari Bornstein of Highland Park to the Lake County Tuberculosis Sanatorium Board of Directors. This three-member Board sets policy for, and oversees the programs of the Lake County Tuberculosis Clinic, which recently came under the administration of the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center.

Dr. Bornstein is currently a member of the Health Department's Board of Health, which she joined in 1999. From 1991 to 1997, she was on the faculty at the University of Illinois' Department of Internal Medicine, where she provided medical care to many indigent patients, taught medical students and residents, and served as Director of the Internal Medicine Faculty Clinic. She received her M.D. from Albert Einstein College of Medicine located in New York's Bronx neighborhood and served her internship at

Northwestern Memorial Hospital and residency at Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital.

She received her M.P.H. with concentration in Health Policy and Administration from the University of Illinois School of Public Health in Chicago. She was formerly the Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases at the Illinois Department of Public Health, which oversees HIV/STD, TB, immunizations and communicable disease policy and programs at the state level. She currently has an internal medicine practice in Gurnee.

All members of the Tuberculosis Sanitorium Board volunteer their time. The Tuberculosis Clinic, located at 2415 Dodge Avenue in Waukegan, has a staff of six and a budget of approximately \$600,000. The TB clinic provides a variety of clinic-based services, such as TB skin tests, x-rays, medications, physician evaluation and consultation, and health education. Staff members also identify, find and treat the family members and other contacts of persons with TB disease. Such efforts help prevent the transmission of tuberculosis into the community. In 2002, the Clinic provided services to 24,772 clients. Nineteen people were diagnosed with tuberculosis in Lake County.